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IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- 1. (Currently amended) A method of detecting a colon or lung cancer marker, the method comprising the steps of:
 - a) detecting an expression profile of at least one nucleic acid in a colon or lung cancer tissue from a human subject, wherein said at least one nucleic acid comprises a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO: 1, SEQ ID NO: 12, and SEQ ID NO:26, and SEQ ID NO:31;
 - b) comparing said expression profile to a <u>corresponding</u> normal <u>lung or</u> <u>colon</u> tissue reference expression profile of said at least one nucleic acid; and

determining whether the nucleic acid is overexpressed compared to the <u>corresponding</u> normal <u>lung or colon</u> tissue reference expression profile, thereby to detect a marker of the colon or lung cancer.

2-4. (Canceled)

- 5. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the <u>corresponding</u> normal <u>lung or colon</u> tissue reference expression profile is an average expression profile of said at least one nucleic acid in reference biological samples of <u>corresponding lung or colon tissue from cancer-free subjects</u>.
- 6. (previously presented) The method of claim 5, wherein said expression profile and said reference expression profile are determined using RT-PCR or nucleic acid arrays.
- 7. (previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said subject has colon cancer.
- 8-25. (Canceled)
- 26. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said subject has lung cancer.
- 27. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the sequence is SEQ ID NO: 1.

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28. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the sequence is SEQ ID NO:12.

- 29. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the sequence is SEQ ID NO:26.
- 30. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the sequence is SEQ ID NO:31.